

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICANTS!

# ARISE

## 2011 Cornerstone Program

By the time you receive this newsletter, the ARISE team will be making the move to the beautiful Pacific Northwest to join forces with Light Bearers. ARISE is known around the world for its outstanding evangelistic training programs, the first of which in its new capacity as part of Light Bearers will be held August 31–December 10, 2011 in Jasper, Oregon, just twenty minutes from downtown Eugene.

Cornerstone is a 15-week session that affords the student a total immersion experience in both public evangelism and personal soul-winning. Intense in-class instruction augmented by genuine, practical “in the community” ministry make this course the flagship of our training programs. The program provides the perfect Cornerstone for building a Christ-centered, lifelong personal ministry.

**Space is limited, so act now!**  
**Go to [www.arisehub.org](http://www.arisehub.org) for more details,**  
**or call 209-206-0915.**

JULY 2011

## Events Schedule

- **July 5-9**  
LBM Convocation, Jasper, OR  
(541)988-3333
- **July 15-16**  
Central California Conference,  
Soquel Camp Meeting, CA  
Jeffrey Rosario • (559)347-3000
- **July 16**  
Cascade SDA Church, Bend, OR  
James Rafferty • [www.cascade22.adventistchurchconnect.org](http://www.cascade22.adventistchurchconnect.org)
- **July 22-24**  
Oak Haven Convention, Pullman SDA Church, MI  
Matt Parra • (269)519-8330
- **August 3-6**  
ASI International Convention, Sacramento, CA  
James Rafferty • (301)680-6450
- **August 19-20**  
North West Youth Conference,  
Valley View SDA Church, WA  
James Rafferty • (509)860-9076
- **August 26-28**  
Fountainview Academy Campout, Lillooet, BC  
Jeffrey Rosario • (250)256-5400
- **August 27**  
Cascade SDA Church, Bend, OR  
James Rafferty • [www.cascade22.adventistchurchconnect.org](http://www.cascade22.adventistchurchconnect.org)
- **August 30–December 10**  
Cornerstone Program, Jasper, OR  
Randy Ban • (209)206-0915
- **September 16-24**  
South Queensland Conference  
Camp Meeting Brisbane, Australia  
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Our purpose is to help proclaim the gospel  
of our Lord Jesus Christ through the spoken and published word.*

# MISSION UPDATE

*The Newsletter of Light Bearers Ministry*



## Connected

By James Rafferty

**Y**ou know how sometimes when you read a familiar Bible verse you see something you never saw before? It is especially exciting when it occurs in relation to a section of the Bible that is somewhat basic, like Revelation 15:

“And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for

thy judgments are made manifest” (Revelation 15:2-4).

The song of Moses and the Lamb, a song sung by people who have experienced God’s saving grace that gives them victory over the beast, his image, mark and name. Pretty basic. Yet I had never seen the connection of their victory song to the three angels’ message of Revelation 14:6-7:

“And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.”

Look at this powerful connect! The call of the everlasting gospel is to:

- Fear God

- Give glory to Him
  - For the hour of His judgment is come
  - And to worship Him
- Those who get the victory over the beast, who sing the song of Moses and the Lamb say:
- Who shall not fear Thee
  - And glorify Thy name
  - For Thy judgments are made manifest
  - And all nations shall come and worship before Thee

The song of Moses and the Lamb is a song of an experience in the message of the three angels! The good news of that message reveals an awesome God Who is worthy of our deepest trust and truest worship because He only has always selflessly done what is right and best for all. And those who accept the embrace of this Love will ever sing it’s song. Amen.

## CONSIDER THIS . . .

Three times has humanity shrunk from the last, crowning sacrifice. But now the history of the human race comes up before the world's Redeemer. He sees that the transgressors of the law, if left to themselves, must perish. He sees the helplessness of man. He sees the power of sin. The woes and lamentations of a doomed world rise before Him. He beholds its impending fate, and His decision is made. He will save man at any cost to Himself. He accepts His baptism of blood, that through Him perishing millions may gain everlasting life. He has left the courts of heaven, where all is purity, happiness, and glory, to save the one lost sheep, the one world that has fallen by transgression. And He will not turn from His mission. He will become the propitiation of a race that has willed to sin.

Ellen White,  
*Desire of Ages*, p. 693

What sustained the Son of God in his betrayal and trial? He saw of the travail of his soul, and was satisfied. He caught a view of the expanse of eternity, and saw the happiness of those who through his humiliation should receive pardon and everlasting life. He was wounded for their transgressions, bruised for their iniquities. The chastisement of their peace was upon him, and with his stripes they were

healed. His ear caught the shout of the redeemed. He heard the ransomed ones singing the song of Moses and the Lamb.

Ellen White,  
*Review and Herald*,  
November 26, 1903, par. 9

Instead of gossiping, thus creating mischief, let us tell of the matchless power of Christ, and speak of His glory, thus magnifying and lifting up the Lord God of hosts and training ourselves to sing the song of victory in the kingdom of glory. By beginning to sing songs of triumph and thanksgiving now, we may prepare ourselves to sing the song of Moses and the Lamb when we meet on the sea of glass.

Ellen White,  
*The Upward Look*, p. 306

The heart of the human father yearns over his son. He looks into the face of his little child, and trembles at the thought of life's peril. He longs to shield his dear one from Satan's power, to hold him back from temptation and conflict. To meet a bitterer conflict and a more fearful risk, God gave His only-begotten Son, that the path of life might be made sure for our little ones. "Herein is love." Wonder, O heavens! and be astonished, O earth!

Ellen White,  
*Desire of Ages*, p. 49



## A Powerful New Way To Witness



You are about to discover a powerful new way to share life-transforming messages of truth with your friends, family, coworkers and acquaintances, not to mention your dentist and the checker at your grocery store.

In 1995 the Internet had 16 million users. Now, there are nearly 2 billion. About 60 billion emails are sent each day. An estimated 70% of Americans have a computer in their home and stay in touch with family and friends by email. More than 700 million people are active Facebook users, and 5 million new users are signing up each week.

Get the picture?

We are literally in the midst of a communication revolution of massive proportions, granting the gospel direct and easy access to millions upon millions of homes and hearts.

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What if you had a library of short, well-crafted video messages that you could share from your computer to anyone else by simply clicking your send button? Well, with digma.com, you now have exactly that. Digma.com is a mass communication project via short video messages. It's like handing out truth-filled tracts door to door, only it's handing out truth-filled videos computer to computer.

Here's how it works. You just go to digma.com. There you will find at your command a building library of free videos. First, view them for your own spiritual growth. Second, just click on any video, type in an email address and a personal message: "Hey Michael, we were talking the other day about creation and evolution (or what happens when we die, or why we suffer if God is good, etc). Here's a short video on the topic that I found interesting and helpful. Hope you enjoy it. Have a great day." Then click send. In a matter of seconds, Michael receives the video right in his email inbox along with your personal

note. He simply clicks on the video icon in your email and immediately his browser opens to the website and plays the video. The video is short, just 5 to 7 minutes, so it's easy to watch, but the information is powerful, precise and thought provoking. If Michael finds it interesting, he's already at the website and sees that there are other videos to watch. Video by video, one bite of information at a time, the truth is unfolded to him. It's that easy.

Besides emailing them to people, there are three other ways you can use the digma videos:

1. You can upload any, or all, of the digma videos to your own Facebook page for your friends to view and comment upon.
2. You can buy them on DVDs for sharing with those who do not use the Internet.
3. You can show them as discussion starters in your home Bible study group or in your church.

Quite simply, you have never seen any sharing tool like this.

And if you're wondering why we call this project digma.com, it's because digma is a Greek word that

means, to show or reveal something as a pattern or example. It's the second half of the word paradigm, from which we get the English word paradigm, as in paradigm shift. And that's what these videos are all about. They are designed to lead our friends and family on an exciting paradigm shift by revealing the truth of God's existence, His creative power and His incredibly beautiful character in contrast to our world's popular misconceptions about who God is. And besides that, digma is easy to spell and easy to remember. So check it out today and check back regularly for new video messages.

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I'll see you there.